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Press Release

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****Updated for Pick-Up Date Revision****

The City of Norman is continuing its recovery process following the winter storm that began Friday, December 20, 2013 causing significant tree damage throughout Norman. In order to remove the fallen vegetation, the City began providing ice-storm related debris removal from the street rights-of-way (generally the area 15 feet behind the edge of the street) for residents on January 2, 2014. The City currently has nine (9) debris removal crews operating throughout all neighborhoods in Norman.

The City's Debris Removal Program is going well, but it is behind schedule because of considerably more storm debris than originally anticipated:

1. The first pass of debris removal citywide will not be completed on January 16, 2014 as originally announced. Instead, the first pass of debris removal will be completed on Wednesday, January 22, 2014.
2. The final pass of debris removal will begin on Thursday, January 23, 2014 and is expected to be completed on Friday, February 7, 2014.
3. Only the vegetative debris that fell during the December 20, 2013 Ice Storm is eligible for collection and disposal by the City of Norman. Debris related to general tree maintenance and/or removal is not eligible for pick-up as part of the storm debris removal.
4. It is not possible to schedule debris removal on specific properties at specific times or days. Multiple debris removal crews are working throughout Norman neighborhoods.
5. Only residential properties (single-family or duplex) and not-for-profit properties (churches, etc) are eligible for debris removal from the December 20, 2013 Ice Storm. No commercial, industrial, or institutional properties will be provided debris removal services by the City of Norman. This material can be disposed of at the City of Norman Compost Facility located at 398 Bratcher Miner Road if the limbs are no longer than 4' lengths and 2" in diameter at no cost. Larger debris may be disposed of for a fee at the City's Solid Waste Transfer Station located at 3901 Chautauqua Avenue.

6. If property is damaged during the ice storm debris removal process, please contact the City Street Division at (405)329-2524 to file a claim.

Please contact the Action Center at (405) 366-5396 or the City Public Works Department at (405) 366-5452 with any questions. Additional information can be found on the City website – www.normanok.gov.

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